

AUSTRALIAN AND ENGLISH CRICKET.
The Hon. Ivo Bligh, in a letter to the *Sportswoman*, says that the result of last season's play has not proved that England is superior to Australia in the cricket field. A Australian eleven would prove victorious.

RELIGIOUS NEWS.
The Rev. Dr. Falding, principal of Rotherham College, has been appointed chairman of the Congregational Union for the ensuing year. In accordance with the R. T. Trust.

The Rev. C. P. Wigner, of Doverness, has been appointed president of the Baptist Union.

THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN.
London, October 9.—Speaking at Gloucester last night, Mr. W. H. Smith, President of the Treasury, said he would be confident that after the Presidential election the United States would come into a just treaty with Great Britain for the settlement of the Canadian fisheries dispute.

VIOLENT ADVISOR.
Mr. O'Brien, writing to the Waterford branch of the Irish National League, warmly eulogized the resistance to evictions, and urged the people to "smash" the landlords and the ecclesiastics.

A TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.
New York, October 9.—An American

news has been received from America of a terrible catastrophe having occurred there. While a religious ceremony was being performed yesterday in one of the principal Roman Catholic churches in

Pennsylvania, the platform collapsed, and 100 people were injured, the injuries resulting fatally in no less than twenty-three cases. Archbishop Ryan, who was amongst those present, had a very narrow escape.

SCOTCH APPOINTMENT:

The Right Hon. J. H. A. Macdonald, Q.C., Lord Advocate of Scotland, has been appointed Lord Justice Clerk, President of the second division of the Court of Session, and will be succeeded as Lord Advocate by Mr J. P. B. Robertson, the present Solicitor-General.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced in the 'Paris Figaro,' of a valuable remedy for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, and premature decay. The discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence and an early grave. We learn that the Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Quotations.
HONGKONG, October 30.

10	New Patna, cash...	502½
"	Old " cash, —	—
"	New Benares, cash, 547½	547½
"	Old " cash, 555	555
"	New Malwa, cash...	660
"	Allowance, Tals...	none

	Old Mulwa, cash,...	675/680
	Allowance, Teels,...	none
"	Persian, Oily, cash,...	575/600
	Allowance, Teels,...	8/16
"	Persian, Paper tied,	575/600
	Allowance, Teels,...	8/16
exchange.		
Mon. Oct. 30.		
On London—		
	Bank, Wire, ...	3/04
"	On demand, ...	3/03
"	30 d's night, ...	3/04
"	4 mths' time, ...	3/04
Credit, 4	"	3/14

On demand, 7 months' date, 3/14	
On Paris—	3.88
On demand, 4 months' sight,	3.96
On New York—	
On demand,	75
On Credit, 60 days' sight,	70 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire,	253
On demand,	253 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	2 3/4
On demand,	248 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	79 1/2
On Credit, 3 months,	75 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 lms	35.80
... ..	\$6.44
Temperature.	
(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)	
BAROMETRICAL—	9 A.M.
Do.	1 P.M.
	30.15
	30.05

Do.	4 P.M.	...	50.00
Thermometer—	9 A.M.	...	75
Do.	1 P.M.	...	76
Do.	4 P.M.	...	76
Do.	Wet bulb 9 A.M.	...	64
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	...	68
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	...	70
Do.	Mercurial	...	72
Do.	Minimum	...	76

METEOROLOGICAL BUREAU

AT 4 P.M. TO-DAY	
Barometer	30.01
Temperature	76
Damp Bulb	68
Direction of Wind	—
Force	—
Weather	h
Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 30, 1888.	
CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.	
OCTOBER 29.—AT 4 P.M.	

Station.	Barometer, reduced, to sea level, and 32° Fm.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.		Weather.	Rain during previous 24 hr.
				Direction.	Force.		
W. Postock.	30.36	38	—	—	—	b	—
Tokio.	30.31	—	—	—	0	—	—

Nagasaki	30.51	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Shanghai	30.14	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Amoy	30.06	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Hongkong	30.00	75	63	E	6	b	o
Haphong	30.12	76	56	E	2	7	o
Batavia	29.93	85	94	W	1	b	o
Manila	29.96	84	72	W	1	b	o

OCTOBER 30.—AT 10 A. M.							
W'Pooh	30.35	45	63	SE	3	o	—
Tokio	30.35	45	63	SE	3	o	—
Nagasaki	30.51	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Shanghai	30.14	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Amoy	30.06	60	83	SE	2	o	—
Hongkong	30.14	75	63	E	6	b	o
Haphong	30.16	77	56	E	1	b	o

Boraqua..... 29.90 25 76 SE 2 b 0.06
 Manila.....
 The Barometer has fallen slightly along
 the coast and gradients for N.E. winds are
 moderate. Clear, cool and rather dry wea-
 ther prevails.
 W. DONNERCK,
 Government Astronomer.
Hongkong Observatory, October 30.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahren-
 heit, and to the level of the sea in fathoms, tenths
 and hundredths.
 2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees
 Fahrenheit.
 3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the
 humidity of air saturated with moisture being
 100.
 4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
 5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort's
 Scale.
 6. STATE OF WEATHER, in blue sky, a dis-
 tinct cloud, a drizzling rain, a fog, a gloomy,
 a hail, a lightning, a overcast, a passing showers,
 a squally, a rain, a snow, a thunder, a visibility,
 &c.
 7. RAVE, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven sections, commencing at

Green Island: Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the lee of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.	Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.	7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.	8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.	9. From Kollatt's Island to North Point.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.	10. Kowloon Wharves.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.	11. Jardine's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.	

Vessel's Name.	Tonn.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.	
Steamers						
Activ	2 h	Rovabeck	Dan. str.	355 Oct. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Catterthun	5	Darks	Brit.	1406 Oct. 30	Russell & Co.	
China	3	Haye	Ger.	1061 Oct. 30	Chinese	Singapore
Cuero	4	George	Brit.	1060 Oct. 26	Tung Koo & Co.	Saigon
Decan	5	Casa	Brit.	2022 Oct. 23	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay, &c.
Decima	3	Dimso	Ger.	965 Oct. 26	Simonsen & Co.	
Deephale	5	Sharp	Brit.	1715 Oct. 29	Adamson, Bell & Co.	
Djannah	5	Vaquier	Fch. str.	1455 Oct. 23	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.
Duburg	2 h	Bertelsen	Ger.	927 Oct. 27	Melchers & Co.	Saigon
Falkenburg	4	Ger.	str.	938 Oct. 11	Melchers & Co.	
Gaule	4	Poumau	Brit.	4205 Oct. 30	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Yhama & San Francisco
General Werder	10	Schneemann	Ger.	1-20 Oct. 26	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama
Genshiel	9	Donaldson	Brit.	2240 Oct. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Haioong	5 h	Reach	Brit.	783 Oct. 27	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports
Johannes Brun	3	Wesenberg	Nor.	485 Oct. 30	Edward Schellhass & Co.	
Marie	3	Rieko	Ger.	704 Oct. 27	A. R. Marx	
Milke Maru	8 h	Pyne	Japan.	2080 Oct. 27	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	Haiphong
Namoa	h	Foceck	Brit.	826 Oct. 17	Douglas Steamship Co.	Kutchinzu
Nerbudda	5	Gilleit	Brit.	1948 Oct. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports
Piscioia	3	Robin	Fch. str.	234 Oct. 11	Chinese	Singapore
Pilot Fish	5	Nissen	Ger.	875 Oct. 30	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Touron
Spindrift	4	Hall	Brit.	2010 Oct. 27	H. K. & W. Dock Co.	Chefoo & N'chwang
Taisang	5	Jackson	Brit.	1505 Oct. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Tesman	5	Allison	Brit.	1450 Oct. 27	Butterfield & Swire	
Visayas	4	Ayubita	Span.	406 Oct. 8	Chinese	

Sailing Vessels										
Adolph	5	h	Westergaard	Ger.	bgo.	867	Aug.	5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London, &c.
Curtis Dore	10		Forayth	Brit.	bgo.	1026	Oct.	7	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York
Dione	10		Peterson	Norw.	bgo.	757	Oct.	2	Order	K'loon Dock
Figaro	3	h	Heinzel	Ger.	bgo.	1007	Oct.	6	Melchers & Co.	
Fooshow	3	c	Schmiegelow	Siam.	bg.	300	Oct.	11	Order	
Gov. Goodwin	5	c	Pray	Amer.	sch.	1459	Oct.	1	Siemssen & Co.	New York
Great Admiral	5	c	Kowall	Amer.	sch.	1496	Sept.	18	Russell & Co.	San Francisco
Estia E. Tapley	3	h	McConachy	Brit.	bgo.	907	Sept.	5	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Sandakan
Honolulu	5	c	Leary	Brit.	sch.	1599	Oct.	2	Molchers & Co.	San Francisco
H. G. Johnson	8	h	Colby	Amer.	bgo.	1027	Oct.	20	Russell & Co.	
H. Printzenburg	3	c	Ahrens	Ger.	bgo.	553	Oct.	21	Melchers & Co.	
Iton	5	c	Rogner	Fish.	bgo.	543	Oct.	9	Melchers & Co.	
John McLeod	8	c	Stuart	Brit.	sch.	1500	Sept.	21	Siemssen & Co.	
John M. Blaskie	9	c	Paulkner	Brit.	sch.	1778	Oct.	8	Order	
Leading Wind	3	h	Hindley	Amer.	sch.	1159	Oct.	9	Russell & Co.	New York, &c.
Mary L. Stone	4	c	Carver	Amer.	sch.	1420	Oct.	12	Pustaa & Co.	
Montura	10		Kessler	Ger.	sch.	775	Oct.	23	Siemssen & Co.	K'loon Dock
Naupacta	9	c	Levy	Brit.	sch.	1239	Oct.	4	Order	
P. N. Blanchard	5	c	Blanchard	Amer.	sch.	1508	Sept.	15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York
Raphael	8	h	Harkness	Amer.	sch.	1465	Oct.	30	Order	
Young Siam	10		Kok	Siam.	bgo.	750	June	17	Chinco	Breaking up

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Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.				
Ship.	Rank.	Commanded by.	Where at.	Where at.
1	2	3	4	5

Name.	Rtg.	Tons.	Guns.	1.5.1.	Officer.	Port.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Com. R. Blair Macdonochie	Chelmulpo
Amicus	twinscrew battle-ship	6010	10	4630	Capt. John B. Warren	Singapore
Jockchafer	gunboat 2nd class	465	4	470	Lieut.-Com. Ed. E. Maxwell	Shanghai
Constance	cruiser 3rd class	2390	14	2650	Capt. L. C. Koppel	Yokohama
Cordelia	cruiser 3rd class	2380	10	2420	Captain Henry H. Boys	Yokohama
Edith	gunboat 2nd class	963	3	340		In reserve
Esper	gunboat 2nd class	963	4	470	Lieut.-Com. Reginald Y. Smith	Canton
Friedland	gunboat 2nd class	965	4	460	Lieut.-Com. Denison	Manila
Heron	cruiser 3rd class	1420	8	1130	Captain Chas. J. Balfour	Kobe
Imperieuse*	twinscrew battle ship	8400	10	10000	Command William H. May	Yokohama
Leander	cruiser 2nd class	4300	10	5500	Captain M. J. Dunlop	Hongkong
Linnæus	gun-vease 2nd class	766	5	1050	Commander W. Marrack	Bahodade
Merlin	gunboat 2nd class	430	4	430	Lieut.-Com. W. M. Matutin	Hongkong
Matino	gunboat 2nd class	1130	10	1120	Commander J. H. Martin	Shanghai
Porpoise	cruiser	1730	—	—	Commander R. W. White	Kobe
Rambler	surveying vessel	830	3	690	Commander W. U. Moore	Shanghai
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. W. Maule, Dougall	Nagasaki
Sapphire	cruiser 3rd class	1970	12	2360	Captain W. G. Kerriack	Kobe
Satellite	cruiser 3rd class	1420	8	1400	Captain T. F. W. Neuham	Nagasaki
Solent	torpedo mining launch	150	—	—		Hongkong
Swift	gun-vease 2nd class	756	5	1010	Com. Richard Bingham	Kobe
Torpedo Boat No. 35		95	—	—	Lieut.-Com. D. D. Davenhill	Hongkong
Torpedo Boat No. 36		95	—	—	Lieut.-Com. Wobler	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5137	14	4	Commander Maxwell, A.D.C.	Hongkong
Wanderer	sloop	925	4	760	Lieut.-Com. McArthur	Formosa
Wivern	coast-defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1450		Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, K.C.B., V.C., Commander-in-Chief.

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Abtao	Chilian gunboat	1015	—	—	Captain Fernandez	Amoy
Alceat	Russian gunboat	600	—	—	Captain Paranzo	Nagasaki
Aragon	Spanish cruiser	1908	—	—	Captain D. E. Zulzaga	Manila
Aspio	French gunboat	470	4	450	Commander Rupa	Nagasaki
Autora	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	1430	—	—	Captain Franz Muller	Wanagasaki
Bismarck	German cruiser	2800	—	—	Captain Schmidt	Singapore
Bohrs	Russian cruiser	1100	—	—	Captain Meneschoff	Nagasaki
Brooklyn	U. S. frigate	476	14	1200	Flagship of Admiral Chandler	Nagasaki
Comete	French gunboat	3300	—	—	Lieut. Commander Martel	Quinhon
Donat	Russian frigate	1600	—	—	Captain N. Sergyoff	Nagasaki
Donat	U. S. corvette	3375	6	900	Commander Jewell	Kobe
					Com. V. von Wahlenth	Manila

Austro-Hungarian frigates	1300	—	Captain Gugano	Macao
Portuguese transport	1200	—	Captain Eickstedt	Chongshu
German gunboat	489	—	Lieut. Com. Wieser	Singapore
U. S. cruiser	1900	—	Captain May	Tientsin
French gunboat	485	4	Capt. J. M. Padriani	Manila
Spanish gunboat	1800	7	Commander Dye	Shanghai
U. S. corvette	1370	6	Lieut. Com. Galpatrick	Yokohama
U. S. ship	1470	6	Commander Mohsoff	Corea
Russian gunboat	455	7	Capt. Zurne	Nagasaki
Russian cruiser	1330	9	Capt. McKee	Shanghai
U. S. corvette	240	12	Lieut. Com. Craig	Kobe
U. S. gunboat	420	8	Captain M. Foret	Shanghai

Parasol	French gunboat	540	—	2270	Lieut. Commander Fourest	On a cruise
Phlox	French gunboat	540	15	4230	Captain Veyre	Nagasaki
Prismarquet	French cruiser	2260	—	—	Captain J. de Santa Barbara	Hongkong
Rio Lina	Portuguese gunboat	560	—	—	Commander Sutcliffe	Japan
Sivotch	Russian cruiser	939	1	1000	Commander Boyle	Corea
Sob.	Russian gunboat	455	7	60	Captain Kohlhauser	Singapore
Sophia	German cruiser	2100	—	—	—	Japan
Therme	French frigate	5850	12	4265	—	Nagasaki
Vesikuk	Russian corvette	1330	—	—	Captain Lang	Nagasaki
Vigore	French gunboat	480	4	425	Commander Matolles	Nagasaki
Vitiaz	Russian corvette	2360	12	—	—	Amoy
Vostok	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Commander Molchovsky	Wien/Vostok
Welf	German gunboat	354	6	246	Captain Credner	Sivotch
Zilveren Kruis	Dutch corvette	2310	—	345	Captain Toekes	On a cruise

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